

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

The corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 has been provided herein.

Claims 17 and 18, and claims 33 and 34 have been provided without the extraneous character '1' therebetween.

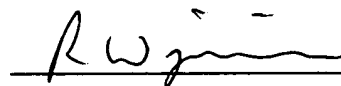
Claim 55 has been presented again with the status identifier as "currently amended", per the Examiner's request.

Claim 56 has been amended such that the '5' has been deleted, the deletion being in proper markup form.

Accordingly, Applicants assert that the present application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to phone the undersigned attorney to further the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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